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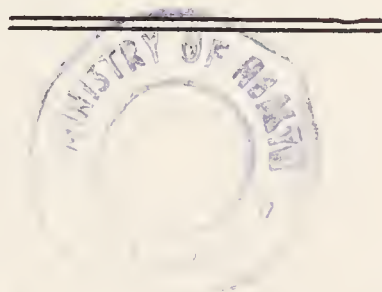
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To the Sevenoaks, Southborough and Tonbridge
Joint Health Committee.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report for 1961.

The Report is given in its usual form. In the first part of the Report, sections dealing with STAFF, STATISTICS, HEALTH SERVICES and INFECTIOUS DISEASE are combined to show particulars both for the Joint Health Area and for each District. In the second part of the Report, separate sections are given for each of the five Districts dealing with the SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES of the District, HOUSING and INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD. Separate Reports by the Public Health Inspectors are not given, but the record of their work is incorporated in the Report.

The POPULATION as estimated by the Registrar-General for the Joint Health Area for mid-1961 was 114,170, an increase of 3,670 over the mid-1960 figure. The population figures for each District are given on page 11, together with the estimated population for the previous year; an increase in population occurred in each of the five Districts in the Area. The Registrar-General states that in making the mid-1961 estimates regard has been had to the preliminary results of the Census enumeration of the 23rd April, 1961, adjusted for various factors.

The CRUDE BIRTH RATE (number of births per 1,000 population) for the Joint Health Area was 16.12 compared with 16.35 for the Area in 1960. The Birth Rate for England and Wales in 1961 was 17.4; this was 0.3 higher than that for 1960 and the highest since 1948.

The CRUDE DEATH RATE (number of deaths per 1,000 population) for the Joint Health Area was 11.35 compared with 12.0 for England and Wales; the death rate for 1960 in the Joint Area was 10.8.

In the table of statistics on page 12, in addition to the Crude Birth and Death Rates for the individual Districts, the Adjusted Birth and Death Rates are also shown. These Adjusted Rates are obtained by multiplying the Crude Rates by the Comparability Factors for the individual Districts supplied by the Registrar-General; the Factor makes allowances for the different sex and age distribution of the population in a particular District, and so allows the Rates better to be compared with one another and with the Birth and Death Rates for England and Wales as a whole.

The INFANT MORTALITY RATE (number of deaths of infants under one year) per 1,000 live births for the Joint Health Area was 25.5 compared with 21.4 for England and Wales, the lowest ever recorded in this country.

The NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE (number of deaths of infants under 4 weeks) per 1,000 live births for the Joint Health Area was 19.5 compared with 15.5 for England and Wales.

The EARLY NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE (number of deaths of infants under 1 week) per 1,000 live births for the Joint Area was 18.4.

The PERINATAL MORTALITY RATE (stillbirths and deaths under 1 week combined) per 1,000 live and still births for the Joint Area was 32.6.

No MATERNAL DEATHS occurred in 1961.

CAUSES OF DEATH. A table showing the causes of death is given on page 13. Coronary Disease was the commonest cause of Male deaths and Vascular Lesions of the Nervous System of Female deaths. Malignant Disease of the Lung or Bronchus accounted for 60 deaths during the year and Pulmonary Tuberculosis for 8 deaths. Motor vehicle accidents caused 14 deaths compared with 12 for the previous year.

Infectious Disease.

The number of cases of notifiable infectious disease is shown for each District on pages 16 to 18. Measles was prevalent during the first half of the year. No cases of diphtheria were notified during 1961. No deaths occurred from scarlet fever or whooping cough; one death occurred from measles.

Acute Poliomyelitis.

During 1961, one case of acute poliomyelitis was notified; the patient came from France and was ill on arrival.

The number of cases notified and deaths from acute poliomyelitis in the Area from 1947, when the disease first became prevalent, were as follows:—

	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961
Total cases	36	13	35	21	15	11	7	2	12	28	19	4	—	2	1
Total deaths	2	1	3	1	1	1	—	—	2	2	1	—	—	1	—

On page 21 figures supplied by the County Medical Officer, show the number of injections given in the various age groups during the year 1961 under the Poliomyelitis Vaccination Scheme.

Tuberculosis.

During 1961, notifications of new cases of pulmonary tuberculosis totalled 45 and non-pulmonary tuberculosis 6; in the previous year there were 25 pulmonary cases and 3 non-pulmonary. There were 8 deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis but none from non-pulmonary.

The Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949: Section 20.

(Under this Section a Medical Officer of Health may prohibit milk from being used for human consumption or require it to be treated before being used, if this appears to him to be necessary to prevent the spread of disease.)

No action was necessary during the year under this Section.

The National Assistance Act, 1948: Section 47. (Removal to suitable premises of persons in need of care and attention.)

During 1961, it was necessary to apply for an Order for removal to an Old Persons' Home of a woman aged 81 years living in the Tonbridge Rural District. She was removed to a Home and settled down comfortably.

Legislation.

A list of the New Acts and Regulations affecting the Public Health Department, which came into operation during the year, are given on page 15.

Smoking and Health.

In the Spring of 1962, following the Report by the Royal College of Physicians on "Smoking and Health", the Minister of Health asked Local Health Authorities to use all their channels of health education to make the conclusions of the Report widely known and to bring home to the public the dangers to health of smoking, particularly of cigarettes. District Councils in the Joint Health Area are

co-operating with the Local Health Authority in this work and I take this opportunity of stressing my personal conviction of its importance, more especially I feel it is important to do everything possible to dissuade young people from starting smoking.

Health Education.

On the 13th March, 1962, a successful one-day Course on Health Education was held in the Tonbridge Rural District Council Chamber. The principal Speaker was Dr. A. J. Dalzell-Ward, Medical Director, Central Council for Health Education. Members and Officials from the Borough of Royal Tunbridge Wells and from the District Councils of the Joint Health Area attended the Course.

Home Safety.

I have great pleasure in reporting that during 1961 Home Safety Committees were set up in Tonbridge Rural and Southborough Urban Districts so that now in all five Districts of the Joint Health Area the excellent work of home accident prevention is going actively forward.

I have once again great pleasure in taking this opportunity of extending my grateful thanks to the Members and Officials of the District Councils, the Medical Practitioners of the Area, the staff of the County Health Department, the voluntary workers in the Area and my own staff for their helpful co-operation during the year.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

J. W. CRAWFORD,
Medical Officer of Health.

SEVENOAKS, SOUTHBOROUGH AND TONBRIDGE JOINT HEALTH COMMITTEE, 1961-62

Chairman:

Mrs. E. S. VINER, Sevenoaks U.D. Council.

Members:

Mrs. E. D. REEVES	...	...	...	...	Sevenoaks R.D. Council
Mr. W. J. SMALL	...	...	...	...	Sevenoaks R.D. Council
Mrs. A. WATERS	...	...	...	...	Sevenoaks R.D. Council
Mrs. P. E. FENNER	...	...	...	...	Sevenoaks U.D. Council
Mr. G. M. HOREY	...	...	...	...	Sevenoaks U.D. Council
Miss F. B. BUGGS	...	...	...	...	Tonbridge R.D. Council
Mr. C. E. CLARKE	...	...	...	...	Tonbridge R.D. Council
Mr. J. PACKHAM	...	...	...	...	Tonbridge R.D. Council
Mr. G. E. MORTLEY	...	...	...	...	Tonbridge U.D. Council
Mr. G. R. TILLINGS, J.P.	...	...	...	...	Tonbridge U.D. Council
Mr. L. A. WILLARD	...	...	...	...	Tonbridge U.D. Council
Mr. J. F. W. CHURN	...	...	...	...	Southborough U.D. Council
Mr. A. E. FRANCIS	...	...	...	...	Southborough U.D. Council
Mr. R. J. KEW, J.P.	...	...	...	...	Southborough U.D. Council

Clerk: Mr. C. N. V. KIRBY, Tonbridge R.D. Council.

CHAIRMEN, CLERKS AND SURVEYORS OF THE CONSTITUENT DISTRICT COUNCILS, 1961-62

Mr. L. H. DIXON, J.P., Chairman	...	Sevenoaks R.D. Council
Mr. B. H. EDWARDS, Clerk	...	Sevenoaks R.D. Council
Mr. N. W. COLE, Engineer and Surveyor	...	Sevenoaks R.D. Council
Mr. A. C. BARNARD, O.B.E., T.D., J.P., Chairman	...	Sevenoaks U.D. Council
Mr. A. F. E. DAVIS, Clerk	...	Sevenoaks U.D. Council
Mr. H. E. PHILLIPS, Engineer and Surveyor	...	Sevenoaks U.D. Council
Mr. H. E. HALL, J.P., Chairman	...	Tonbridge R.D. Council
Mr. C. N. V. KIRBY, Clerk	...	Tonbridge R.D. Council
Mr. H. W. CLARK, Engineer and Surveyor	...	Tonbridge R.D. Council
Mr. G. R. TILLINGS, J.P., Chairman	...	Tonbridge U.D. Council
Mr. S. J. THORNE, Clerk	...	Tonbridge U.D. Council
Mr. S. SIMMONS, Engineer and Surveyor	...	Tonbridge U.D. Council
Mr. R. J. KEW, J.P., Chairman	...	Southborough U.D. Council
Mr. J. R. NICHOLSON, Clerk	...	Southborough U.D. Council
Mr. T. A. SCOTT, Surveyor and Public Health Inspector	...	Southborough U.D. Council

STAFF OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH:

J. W. CRAWFORD, M.D., Ch.B., D.P.H.

DEPUTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH:

A. CAMERON, M.D., Ch.B., D.O.

CLERICAL STAFF:

Chief Clerk: Mrs. D. DOWNS.

Shorthand-Typist/Clerk: Mrs. V. G. PULLEN (resigned 13/4/62).

Shorthand-Typist/Clerk: Mrs. E. M. TIBBLES (appointed 1/5/62).

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS:

Sevenoaks Rural District.

E. J. A. Bettle, M.R.S.H., M.R.I.P.H., Cert. Meat and Other Foods.
Senior Public Health Inspector (also Cleansing Officer).

A. D. Lofts, M.R.S.H., Cert. Meat and Other Foods.
Public Health Inspector.

R. H. Terry, M.R.S.H., Cert. Meat and Other Foods.
Public Health Inspector.

D. O. Knight, M.R.S.H., Cert. Meat and Other Foods.
Public Health Inspector.

F. P. C. Cage, Temporary General Assistant Public Health
Inspector.

Sevenoaks Urban District.

E. A. Williams, M.R.S.H., Cert. Meat and Other Foods.
Senior Public Health Inspector.

L. H. Ash, Cert. R.S.H., Cert. Meat and Other Foods.
Public Health Inspector.

Tonbridge Rural District.

W. J. Davies, A.R.S.H., Cert. Meat and Other Foods.
Senior Public Health Inspector.

E. J. Griffiths, Cert. R.S.H., Cert. Meat and Other Foods.
Public Health Inspector.

Tonbridge Urban District.

J. H. Elphick, M.R.S.H., M.R.I.P.H.H., Cert. Meat and Other Foods.
Senior Public Health Inspector.

H. B. Cade, Cert. R.S.H., Cert. Meat and Other Foods.
Public Health Inspector.

Southborough Urban District.

T. A. Scott, C.R.S.H., Surveyor and Public Health Inspector.

R. G. Wheeler, A.R.S.H., Cert. Meat and Other Foods.
Technical Assistant to Surveyor and Public Health Inspector.,

GENERAL STATISTICS

	Seven-oaks R.D.	Seven-oaks U.D.	Ton-bridge R.D.	Ton-bridge U.D.	South-borough U.D.	Joint Health Area
Area (in acres)	62,951	3,728	41,687	4,599	1,759	114,724
Home Population (R.G's estimate mid-1961)	40,080	17,520	24,640	22,250	9,680	114,170
Estimated Home population, mid-1960	38,090	17,210	24,560	21,400	9,240	110,500
No. of inhabited houses (end of 1961) accord- ing to Rate Book	13,260	5,563	8,268	7,529	3,199	37,819
Rateable Value	£527,815	£328,402	£314,204	£352,557	£123,648	£1,646,626
Sum represented by a penny rate	£2,150	£1,340	£1,250	£1,352	£487	—

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1961.

		Seven-oaks R.D.	Seven-oaks U.D.	Ton-bridge R.D.	Ton-bridge U.D.	South-borough U.D.	Joint Health Area
LIVE BIRTHS	Legitimate : Male .	321	114	198	210	69	912
	Female	279	110	208	183	66	846
	Total .	600	224	406	393	135	1,758
	Illegitimate: Male .	15	3	17	5	3	43
	Female	9	5	10	13	3	40
	Total .	24	8	27	18	6	83
TOTAL LIVE BIRTHS		624	232	433	411	141	1,841
CRUDE BIRTH RATE per 1,000 estimated home population, 1961		15.56	13.24	17.57	18.47	14.56	16.12
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar-General .		1.00	1.02	0.96	1.00	1.09	—
ADJUSTED BIRTH RATE .		15.56	13.50	16.86	18.47	15.87	—
Illegitimate Live Births per cent. of total Live Births		3.84	3.45	6.23	4.38	4.25	4.51
STILL BIRTHS	Legitimate : Male .	6	2	3	3	—	14
	Female	6	3	2	1	—	12
	Total .	12	5	5	4	—	26
	Illegitimate: Male .	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Female	—	—	1	—	—	1
	Total .	—	—	1	—	—	1
TOTAL STILL BIRTHS		12	5	6	4	—	27
STILL-BIRTH RATE per 1,000 (live and still) births .		18.87	21.10	13.67	9.64	0.0	14.45
TOTAL LIVE & STILL BIRTHS		636	237	439	415	141	1,868
INFANT DEATHS (under 1 year)	Male	10	2	5	7	2	26
	Female	9	3	4	2	3	21
	Total	19	5	9	9	5	47
INFANT MORTALITY RATES:—							
All infants per 1,000 live births		30.44	21.55	20.80	21.90	35.46	25.53
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births		31.6	22.32	17.24	22.90	34.81	25.60
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births		0.00	0.00	74.07	0.00	0.00	24.10
NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1.000 live births .		24.04	12.93	20.80	12.16	28.37	19.55
EARLY NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births		20.83	12.93	20.80	12.16	28.37	18.47
PERINATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live and still-births		39.31	33.75	34.17	21.70	28.37	32.65
MATERNAL MORTALITY including abortion		—	—	—	—	—	—
RATE per 1,000 total (live and still) births		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	00.0	0.00
DEATHS	Male	191	93	144	113	59	600
	Female	182	129	156	146	83	696
	Total	373	222	300	259	142	1,296
CRUDE DEATH RATE per 1,000 estimated home population, 1961		9.31	12.67	12.18	11.64	14.67	11.35
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar-General .		1.02	0.84	0.95	0.95	0.85	—
ADJUSTED DEATH RATE .		9.49	10.64	11.57	11.05	12.46	—

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages).

Supplied by the Registrar-General)

Causes of Death	Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Joint Area		TOTAL
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Tuberculosis, respiratory ...	2	1	...	1	1	2	...	...	...	1	3	5	8
Tuberculosis, other ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Syphilitic Disease ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Diphtheria ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Whooping Cough ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Meningococcal infections ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Acute Poliomyelitis ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Other infective and parasitic diseases ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	3
Malignant neoplasm, stomach ...	3	1	1	3	3	3	2	4	2	1	11	12	23
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	8	4	10	2	10	2	14	3	7	...	49	11	60
Malignant neoplasm, breast ...	...	4	...	5	...	4	...	4	...	3	...	20	20
Malignant neoplasm, uterus ...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	2	...	9	9
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms ...	27	16	12	13	11	10	10	17	5	5	65	61	126
Leukaemia, aleukaemia ...	...	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	4	4	8
Diabetes ...	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	1	4	5
Vascular lesions of nervous system	23	35	8	20	16	36	11	25	7	17	65	133	189
Coronary disease, angina ...	38	21	17	20	32	20	22	18	14	10	123	89	212
Hypertension with heart disease ...	4	6	2	1	3	6	3	6	...	...	12	19	31
Other heart diseases ...	14	26	6	15	14	21	11	20	4	18	49	100	149
Other circulatory diseases ...	13	6	8	11	9	13	4	8	...	6	34	44	78
Influenza ...	1	2	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	2	3	5	8
Pneumonia ...	16	15	7	12	6	8	3	13	3	2	35	50	85
Bronchitis ...	7	2	4	3	8	1	7	2	3	4	29	12	41
Other Respiratory Diseases ...	3	...	1	2	2	...	1	1	...	...	7	3	10
Ulcer of Stomach & Duodenum ...	2	1	2	1	...	1	2	1	1	...	7	4	11
Gastritis, Enteritis, Diarrhoea ...	1	2	2	1	1	1	...	2	...	...	4	6	10
Nephritis and Nephrosis ...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	1	1	...	5	1	6
Hyperplasia of prostate ...	2	...	2	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	8	...	8
Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Congenital Malformations ...	4	1	...	1	2	2	1	...	1	1	8	5	13
Other defined and ill-defined diseases ...	11	21	4	13	12	17	11	12	10	6	48	69	117
Motor Vehicle Accidents ...	4	2	1	...	2	1	3	...	1	...	11	3	14
All Other Accidents ...	4	8	2	...	3	7	1	5	...	3	10	23	33
Suicide ...	2	2	1	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	4	4	8
Homicide and Operations of War	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	191	182	93	129	144	156	113	146	59	83	610	696	1306

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

Public Health Department.

A list of the staff of the Public Health Department including Public Health Inspectors is given on pages 10 to 11.

Laboratory Service.

The Public Health Laboratory at Preston Hall, Maidstone (Director, Dr. A. L. Furniss) continues to give full co-operation in the examination of public health specimens.

Hospitals.

The Hospital Management Committees of the South-East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board covering the Hospitals in the Joint Health Area are set out below:—

Tunbridge Wells Hospital Management Committee:

Secretary—E. A. Wagstaff, F.H.A.,

Sherwood Park, Pembury Road, Tunbridge Wells.

Tel. Tunbridge Wells 23444.

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area—

Pembury Hospital.

Capel Hospital.

Tonbridge Cottage Hospital.

Edenbridge and District Memorial Hospital.

David Salomon's House, Southborough.

Orpington and Sevenoaks Hospital Management Committee:

Secretary—L. G. Bain, F.C.I.S., A.H.A.,

Orpington Hospital, Orpington, Kent.

Tel. Orpington 27050.

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area—

Sevenoaks Hospital.

Emily Jackson Wing of Sevenoaks Hospital.

Oak Lane Hospital, Sevenoaks.

Sundridge Hospital.

REGISTRATION OF NURSING HOMES

(Sections 187 to 194 of the Public Health Act, 1936.)

DISTRICT	Homes first registered during year 1961	Homes where registrations were withdrawn during 1961	Homes on Register at end of 1961	Number of beds provided :		
				Maternity	Others	Total
Sevenoaks R.D. .	—	—	1	—	10	10
Sevenoaks U.D. .	—	1	1	—	12	12
Tonbridge R.D. .	—	—	1	—	17	17
Tonbridge U.D. .	—	—	1	9	4	13
Southborough U.D.	1	—	2	—	20	20
TOTAL .	1	1	6	9	63	72

LEGISLATION.

The following Acts, Orders and Regulations affecting the Department came into operation during the year:—

Operative Date

The Home Safety Act, 1961	...	...	...	...	...	18/5/61
The Factories Act, 1961	...	...	...	...	...	22/6/61
The Consumer Protection Act, 1961	...	...	...	...	...	19/8/61
Rivers (Prevention of Pollution) Act, 1961	...	...	...	...	...	27/9/61
The Public Health Act, 1961	...	...	...	...	...	3/10/61
The Housing Act, 1961	...	...	...	...	...	24/10/61

INFECTIOUS DISEASE AND FOOD POISONING

The number of cases of infectious disease and Food Poisoning notified in the respective Districts of the Area are shown in the following tables:—

SEVENOAKS RURAL DISTRICT

DISEASE	AGE-PERIODS										Total cases notified	Deaths
	0-1	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-10	10-15	15-20	20-35	35-45	45-65	65 and over
Scarlet Fever .	-	-	1	1	-	8	2	-	2	1	-	15
Ac. Encephalitis (Post Infectious)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Pneumonia (Ac., prim. & Infl.)	2	-	5	-	1	8	2	3	9	8	23	88
Erysipelas .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	5
Dysentery .	-	-	-	-	-	13	4	1	2	3	-	24
Measles .	12	68	69	101	114	458	76	20	11	1	3	933
Whooping Cough .	-	-	-	2	-	4	1	-	-	-	-	7
Food Poisoning .	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	3	2	10

SEVENOAKS URBAN DISTRICT

DISEASE	AGE-PERIODS										Total cases notified	Deaths
	0-1	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-10	10-15	15-20	20-35	35-45	45-65	65 and over
Scarlet Fever .	-	-	-	-	-	8	2	-	-	-	-	10
Pneumonia (Ac. prim& Infl.)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	4
Dysentery .	2	1	3	2	7	16	6	1	5	1	1	46
Puerperal Pyrexia .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Ophthalmia Neonatorum .	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Measles .	14	20	32	32	32	143	23	3	-	1	1	301
Whooping Cough .	3	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6

SOUTHBOROUGH URBAN DISTRICT

DISEASE	AGE-PERIODS												Total cases notified	Deaths
	0-1	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-10	10-15	15-20	20-35	35-45	45-65	65 and over		
Scarlet Fever . . .	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Measles . . .	-	3	6	8	11	20	5	1	1	-	-	-	56	-
Whooping Cough . . .	5	1	2	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	-

TUBERCULOSIS.

The following table gives the total number of new cases notified and the number of deaths registered during the year 1961 in the respective Districts:—

AGE-PERIODS	NEW CASES										DEATHS									
	PULMONARY					Non-PULMONARY					PULMONARY					Non-PULMONARY				
	Sevenoaks	Sevenoaks	Tonbridge	Tonbridge	U.D.	Sevenoaks	Sevenoaks	U.D.	Sevenoaks	U.D.	Sevenoaks	Sevenoaks	Tonbridge	Tonbridge	U.D.	Sevenoaks	Sevenoaks	Tonbridge	Tonbridge	U.D.
	R.D.	U.D.	R.D.	U.D.	Southborough	R.D.	U.D.	Southborough	R.D.	U.D.	R.D.	U.D.	R.D.	U.D.	Southborough	R.D.	U.D.	R.D.	U.D.	Southborough
0-1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55	2	-	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 and up	2	-	3	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
	7	2	5	8	3	1	2	2	1	2	2	1	1	2	1	3	1	1	1	1
	7	2	4	2	6	1	2	2	1	2	2	1	1	2	1	3	1	1	1	1
	14	3	9	10	9	1	2	2	1	2	3	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

The following table shows the number of new cases of tuberculosis and deaths from tuberculosis in each of the five Districts for the last five years:—

YEAR	NEW CASES												DEATHS											
	SEVENOAKS						SEVENOAKS						SEVENOAKS						SEVENOAKS					
	R.D.			U.D.			R.D.			U.D.			R.D.			U.D.			R.D.			U.D.		
	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T
1957	12	7	5	8	2	6	3	3	2	1	2	—	2	—	1	—	1	—	2	—	1	—	2	—
1958	12	7	2	5	8	9	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1959	2	7	3	—	11	5	—	2	1	1	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
1960	3	3	2	—	7	2	1	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1961	7	7	2	1	5	4	6	3	—	1	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—

POLIOMYELITIS VACCINATION.

The following table, kindly supplied by the County Medical Officer, shows the number of injections given in the various age groups during the year ended 31st December, 1961.

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SMALLPOX VACCINATION

The following table, kindly supplied by the County Medical Officer, gives the Vaccination figures for 1961:—

District	Age at date of vaccination	Under 1 yr.	1-2 yrs.	2-4 yrs.	5-14 yrs.	15 or over	Total
Sevenoaks Rural	Number vaccinated	376	67	18	9	1	471
	Number re-vaccinated	—	—	1	4	1	6
Sevenoaks Urban	Number vaccinated	143	15	3	1	1	163
	Number re-vaccinated	—	—	—	4	—	4
Tonbridge Rural	Number vaccinated	227	35	15	11	3	291
	Number re-vaccinated	—	—	1	2	4	7
Tonbridge Urban	Number vaccinated	248	23	13	7	6	297
	Number re-vaccinated	—	—	1	1	1	3
Southborough Urban	Number vaccinated	64	9	8	6	5	92
	Number re-vaccinated	—	—	—	1	2	3

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION

The following table shows the figures for diphtheria immunisation (singly or in combination) during 1961, and is supplied by the County Medical Officer.

District	Year of Birth	1961	1960	1959	1958	1957	1952-56	1947-51	Total
Sevenoaks Rural	Primary	228	311	46	19	17	61	15	697
	Reinforcing	—	15	43	19	24	303	69	473
Sevenoaks Urban	Primary	74	138	26	20	5	24	10	297
	Reinforcing	—	2	18	20	14	164	3	257
Tonbridge Rural	Primary	132	146	30	15	12	29	29	393
	Reinforcing	—	—	16	22	15	234	56	343
Tonbridge Urban	Primary	129	216	39	17	20	54	18	493
	Reinforcing	—	—	6	36	27	225	40	334
Southborough Urban	Primary	31	59	5	3	3	17	5	123
	Reinforcing	—	—	4	6	4	57	8	79

WHOOPING COUGH IMMUNISATION

The following table shows the figures for whooping cough immunisation (singly or in combination) during 1961, and is supplied by the County Medical Officer.

District	Year of birth	1961	1960	1959	1958	1957	1952-56	1947-51	Total
Sevenoaks Rural	Primary immunisation	227	295	34	10	14	20	1	601
Sevenoaks Urban	Primary immunisation	74	137	22	16	3	10	4	266
Tonbridge Rural	Primary immunisation	132	142	24	10	6	10	11	335
Tonbridge Urban	Primary immunisation	129	216	24	11	13	25	7	425
Southborough Urban	Primary immunisation	31	58	4	1	3	14	5	116

SEVENOAKS RURAL DISTRICT

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT.

1. Water Supply.

Sevenoaks Rural District is supplied with mains water from five public utility companies and the quality and sufficiency of the supply were satisfactory during the year. Routine samples are regularly obtained and submitted by the Public Health Department and also by the respective water undertakings.

Reports on examination of samples during the year were as follows:—

	Bacteriological examination			Chemical examination		
	No. of samples	Satisfactory	Not satisfactory	No. of samples	Satisfactory	Not satisfactory
Statutory supply undertakings ...	56	53	3	1	1	—
Private sources piped to dwellings ...	72	44	28	14	8	6
Other private sources	15	8	7	3	3	—

Approximately 95% of dwelling houses in Sevenoaks Rural District are supplied by public mains and are shown under the various parishes:—

Name of Parish.						Estimated proportion direct to houses	Estimated proportion by means of standpipes		
Brasted	...	...	...	...	...	95.02 %	...	...	.20 %
Chevening	...	...	...	...	...	88.50 %	...	...	1.11 %
Chiddingstone	...	...	...	...	...	86.13 %	...	...	.66 %
Cowden	...	...	...	...	...	91.52 %	...	...	.42 %
Dunton Green	...	...	...	...	...	99.21 %	...	...	.23 %
Edenbridge	...	...	...	...	...	97.41 %	...	...	.87 %
Halstead	...	...	...	...	...	96.41 %	...	...	1.49 %
Hever	...	...	...	...	...	88.21 %	...	...	1.01 %
Kemsing	...	...	...	...	...	98.13 %	...	...	.71 %
Leigh	...	...	...	...	...	97.92 %	...	...	—
Otford	...	...	...	...	...	98.79 %	...	...	.76 %
Penshurst	...	...	...	...	...	93.17 %	...	...	.61 %
Riverhead	...	...	...	...	...	98.48 %	...	...	—
Seal	...	...	...	...	...	96.44 %	...	...	.32 %
Sevenoaks Weald	...	...	...	...	...	95.34 %	...	...	2.99 %
Shoreham	...	...	...	...	...	84.84 %	...	...	6.67 %
Sundridge	...	...	...	...	...	87.48 %	...	...	1.45 %
Westerham	...	...	...	...	...	91.83 %	...	...	1.63 %

Routine examinations are made of the various forms of supply where mains are not available.

As a result of these investigations water was connected from an existing borehole to two cottages previously utilising rain water. Storage facilities were improved in one instance, and a well was thoroughly cleansed resulting in reinstatement of a satisfactory supply.

Where mains were available within a reasonable distance, 13 houses with unsatisfactory supplies from well, springs, etc., were connected to the main supply.

Mains extensions carried out during 1961 were as follows:—

Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company
(within Company's Statutory Area)

306.1/3rd yards	3in. dia. main	...	Cranmer Road, Riverhead.
587.1/6th yards	4in. dia. main	...	Marlborough Crescent, Riverhead.
4.1/3rd yards	4in. dia. main	...	London Road, Riverhead.
481.1/6th yards	6in. dia. main	...	London Road, Riverhead (replacing existing 3in. main.)
214.1/3rd yards	6in. dia. main	...	Worships Hill, Riverhead.
176 yards	3in. dia. main	...	Chipstead House Estate, Chevening.
349.2/3rd yards	3in. dia. main	...	The Close, Bessels Green, Chevening.
557.5/6th yards	4in. dia. main	...	Woodyfields, Chipstead Park, Chevening.
1176.5/6th yards	6in. dia. main	...	Row Dow, Pilgrims Way East, Otford (partly replacing 333 yards of 2in. existing main.)
123.2/3rd yards	3in. dia. main	...	Kingswood Road, Dunton Green.
5.5/6th yards	3in. dia. main	...	Station Road, Dunton Green.
85½ yards	3in. dia. main	...	Lealands Avenue, Leigh.
8 yards	3in. dia. main	...	St. Lawrence, Seal.
1½ yards	4in. dia. main	...	St. Lawrence, Seal.
154.1/6th yards	6in. dia. main	...	St. Lawrence, Seal.

A water tower has been erected by the Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company at St. Lawrence, Seal, to augment and improve the water supply in that district.

East Surrey Water Company.

Routine main extensions have been carried out during 1961 where required.

A scheme to provide a better supply to the higher parts of Crockham Hill was brought into use during 1961.

2. Drainage and Sewerage.

The arrangements for sewerage and sewage disposal in the district are generally satisfactory. Much work has been undertaken in recent years and progress continues to be made. At Penshurst a new sewage disposal works is required and a scheme has been submitted to the Ministry. Disposal arrangements are unsatisfactory at Crockham Hill and Little Hawden and new schemes are being prepared. Consideration will also require to be given to disposal arrangements at Chiddingstone Causeway.

At Lingfield Road, Edenbridge, there has been no recurrence of flooding following certain remedial works.

Sewers laid for the development of Council Estates:—

BRASTED—

Rectory Lane	...	...	...	...	32 lin. yards of 6 inch dia.
					76 lin. yards of 4 inch dia.

HALSTEAD—

Yew Tree Cottages	...	...	...	...	27 lin. yards of 6 inch dia.
Station Road	...	...	...	...	121 lin. yards of 4 inch dia.

SUNDRIDGE—

Chapmans Road Extension	...	...			270 lin. yards of 6 inch dia.
					188 lin. yards of 4 inch dia.

Sewer laid for the development of Council Estates (houses subsequently sold):—

WESTERHAM—

Croft Road	151 lin. yards of 6 inch dia.
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Sewers laid by private developers:—

CHEVENING—

Chipstead Park Close	137 lin. yards of 6 inch dia.
Morants Court	...	...	...	...	100 lin. yards of 6 inch dia.
					500 lin. yards of 4 inch dia.
Spring Shaw Close	...	...	...	...	116 lin. yards of 6 inch dia.
					59 lin. yards of 4 inch dia.
The Carriageway	...	...	...	...	137 lin. yards of 6 inch dia.
					25 lin. yards of 4 inch dia.

EDENBRIDGE—

Orchard Drive	122 lin. yards of 6 inch dia.
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OTFORD—

Vestry Estate	243 lin. yards of 9 inch dia.
					237 lin. yards of 6 inch dia.

RIVERHEAD—

Marlborough Crescent			307 lin. yards of 6 inch dia.
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Improvements to drainage systems have taken place in a number of instances and 14 houses have been connected to the sewer where they were previously served by cesspools. Six new septic tanks and 15 cesspools have been constructed to serve existing dwellings, and it is pleasing to report that a further 34 bucket closets have been replaced by water borne systems.

3. Refuse Collection and Disposal.

The number of dwellings, factories, etc., in the area has continued to rise, and this together with the increase in bulk of refuse has placed a further strain on the already fully extended collection service. A large amount of overtime has been necessary to maintain the rounds on schedule and delays have occurred during holiday periods and periods of sickness amongst the staff. The inception of the 42 hour week also had a considerable effect.

The difficulty in obtaining replacement staff is still a major problem.

4. Public Swimming Pools.

Number of swimming pools open to the public	Nil
Number of school swimming pools	3
Number of visits paid to school swimming pools	23
Number of samples of swimming water taken:	
Satisfactory	15
Unsatisfactory	1

Chlorination is practised at each of the school swimming pools.

5. Sanitary Inspection of the District.

Number of complaints received and investigated	946
Total number of visits of all kinds paid by Inspectors during the year	7,261
Informal Notices: Served	219
Complied with	210
Statutory Notices: Served	5
Complied with:	
(a) by Owners	5
(b) by Local Authority in default	Nil
Legal proceedings taken	2

Summary of Inspections and Visits by Public Health Inspectors during the year:—

Housing	1,074
Nuisances, etc. (not included under Housing	748
Swimming pools	23
Hop-pickers' camps	36
Factory Acts	153
Shop Acts	148
Petroleum Act	266
Dairies	57
Ice-cream premises	157
Meat inspections at slaughterhouses	301
Bakehouses	23
Food shops	452
Food stalls and vehicles	21
Cafes, restaurants, canteens hotel kitchens, etc.	101
Food factories	68
Other food preparing places	17
Infectious disease visits	403
Prevention of damage by Pests Act, 1949	144
Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957	69
Atmospheric Pollution Prevention	12
Agriculture (Safety & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956	14
Miscellaneous	2,974

The Council instituted legal proceedings in two cases, one concerning a dirty milk bottle—the firm was fined £1 0s. 0d. and £2 2s. 0d.

costs, and the second concerning a bun contaminated with oil—the firm was fined £5 0s. 0d. and £3 3s. 0d. costs.

In three other cases official letters of warning were sent to the firms concerned.

6. Hop-Pickers' Camps.

Number of camps in the District	...	...	...	...	...	2
Number of huts in the District	...	...	...	...	...	22
Total estimated number of persons engaged in hop-picking (excluding home pickers)	...	...	...	...	...	116
Number of new huts erected during 1961	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Number of inspections of hop-pickers' camps during 1961	...	...	...	...	...	36

Both camps are provided with mains water supply and the standard maintained at the camps was generally satisfactory.

Only two camps are now utilised and the number of imported pickers has decreased correspondingly. The number of mechanical pickers continues to increase.

No cases of infectious disease occurred.

7. Disinfestation.

Infestations were dealt with as follows:—

Wasps 70; cockroaches 6; flies 16; beetles 6; ants 2; bees 10; moths 1; maggots 2; fleas 5; bugs 2; silverfish 1.

8. Rats and Mice Destruction.

Number of complaints received (including contracts)	...	...	...	...	...	552
Number of visits by rodent operator	...	...	...	...	...	3,885
Infestations found and treated:						
Rats (major)	...	...	...	...	...	2
(minor)	...	...	...	...	...	461
Mice (major)	...	...	...	...	...	—
(minor)	...	...	...	...	...	258

Sewer treatment was carried out in April and October.

At the end of December, 1961, 54 contracts were in force for the treatment of agricultural and business premises.

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 to 1959

Part I of the Act.

1.—Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written notices	Occupiers prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities...	31	62	1	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	161	91	2	—
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	—	—	—	—
Total	192	153	3	—

2.—Cases in which defects were found.

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness	—	4	—	—	—
Overcrowding	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature ...	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors ...	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary conveniences:					
(a) Insufficient	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective ...	2	4	—	2	—
(c) Not separate for sexes ...	—	1	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	1	—	—	—	—
Total	3	9	—	2	—

Part VIII of the Act.
Outwork (Sections 110 and 111).

Nature of work	Section 110			Section 111		
	No. of outworkers in August list required by Sec. 110 (i) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
Wearing apparel (making, etc.)	2	—	—	—	—	—
Curtains and Furniture hangings ...	1	—	—	—	—	—
The making of boxes or other receptacles or parts thereof made wholly or partially of paper	24	—	—	—	—	—
Total ...	27	—	—	—	—	—

HOUSES IN CLEARANCE AREAS AND UNFIT HOUSES
ELSEWHERE
Summary of Returns for Year 1961.

A. HOUSES DEMOLISHED

	HOUSES DEMOLISHED	DISPLACED During Year	
		Persons	Families
In Clearance Areas			
(1) Houses unfit for human habitation ...	...	...	...
(2) Houses included by reason of bad arrangement, etc. ... ..	...	...	...
(3) Houses on land acquired under Section 43 (2) Housing Act, 1957 ... ..	...	...	...
Not in Clearance Areas			
(4) As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 16 or Section 17 (1) Housing Act, 1957	15	43	15
(5) Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health.	...	...	...
(6) Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under local Acts ... ..	...	...	...
(7) Unfit houses included in Unfitness Orders ... ..	...	...	...
Number of dwellings included above which were previously reported as closed	3	...	...

	Number	Displaced during year	
		Persons	Families
B. UNFIT HOUSES CLOSED.			
(8) Under Sections 16 (4), 17 (1) and 35 (1), Housing Act, 1957	9	9	3
(9) Under Sections 17 (3) and 26, Housing Act, 1957 ... ..	...	...	...
(10) Parts of buildings closed under Section 18, Housing Act, 1957 ... ..	...	...	...

C. UNFIT HOUSES MADE FIT AND HOUSES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE REMEDIED.

	By Owner	By Local Authority
(11) After informal action by Local Authority	113	...
(12) After formal notice under:		
(a) Public Health Acts ... ..	...	...
(b) Sections 9 and 16 Housing Act, 1957	3	...
(13) Under Section 24, Housing Act, 1957 ...	...	...

D. UNFIT HOUSES IN TEMPORARY USE (Housing Act, 1957).

Position at end of year	Number of Houses	Number of separate dwellings contained in column (1)
	(1)	(2)
(14) Retained for temporary accommodation:		
(a) Under Section 48 ... ..	...	...
(b) Under Section 17 (2) ... ..	...	...
(c) Under Section 46 ... ..	...	...
(15) Licensed for temporary occupation under Sections 34 or 53 ... ..	...	...

E. PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY AGREEMENT.

	Number of Houses	Number of occupants of houses in column (1)
	(1)	(2)
(16) Houses in Clearance Areas other than those included in confirmed Clearance Orders or Compulsory Purchase Orders purchased in the year ... ..	...	...

HOUSING (FINANCIAL PROVISIONS) ACT, 1958.

Number of applicants for Improvements and Conversions during 1961	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	78
Total approved costs (cost of work)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£67,359
Total approved grants	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£26,840

HOUSE PURCHASE AND HOUSING ACT, 1959.

Number of applications for Standard Grants during 1961	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Total approved Grants	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£1,305

POST-WAR HOUSING (Position at 31st December, 1961).

	Completed.	Under-construction.
Council	1,291	33
Housing Association	15	—
Private	1,944	119

CARAVANS (as at 31st December, 1961).

Number of site licences issued	...	...	...	...	...	28
Total number of caravans permitted on licensed sites	190

COMMON LODGING HOUSES.

Number registered in District	Nil
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INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.**1. Milk Supplies.**

Number of registered distributors	30
Number of registered dairies (Retail)	...	...	...	...	...	4

Milk Sampling.

	No. of samples taken.	No. of unsatisfactory samples.
"Tuberculin Tested"	21	1
"Pasteurised"	8	Nil
"Sterilized"	2	Nil
Non-designated	6	Nil
Number of samples collected for biological examination:		
"Tuberculin Tested" ... 18. All satisfactory.		

2. Ice Cream.

Number of premises registered:

(a) For the manufacture and sale of ice-cream	...	...	...	...	1
(b) For the sale of ice-cream	...	...	...	...	145

Results of samples taken:

Grade I	...	...	...	...	...	87
Grade 2	...	...	...	...	...	7
Grade 3	...	...	...	...	...	2

In the one case in which ice-cream is manufactured, the complete cold mix method is utilised. A high standard has been maintained at all premises where ice-cream is sold.

3. Diseases of Animals (Wasted Food Order), 1957.

Number of licensed premises 10

4. Slaughterhouses.

Number in District 4

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed (if known)	219	49	81	1162	837	...
Number inspected	219	49	81	1162	837	...
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci:						
Whole carcasses condemned .....	...	...	1	1	...	...
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	28	11	...	15	86	...
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuber- culosis or cysticerci	12.78	22.45	1.23	1.37	10.27	...
Tuberculosis only:						
Whole carcasses condemned .....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned .....	...	...	...	...	7	...
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuber- culosis .....	...	...	...	...	.84	...
Cysticercosis:						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	1	...	...	...	...	...
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrig- eration .....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Generalised and totally condemned...	...	...	...	...	...	...

5. Food Premises.

	No. in District	No. of Visits	No. of faults and defects found	No. of faults and defects remedied
Cafés, restaurants and canteens ...	76	101	10	23
Bakehouses	9	23	1	1
Premises registered for the manufacture of preserved food (Section 16 Food and Drugs Act, excluding ice-cream)	44	56	2	2
Food stalls and vehicles	15	21	3	2
Food Factories	3	68	1	1
Other food shops:				
Baker's Shops	11	18	1	—
Butchers	30	138	2	7
Fishmongers	7	20	2	2
Grocers	85	60	1	3
Greengrocers	23	21	1	2
Fried Fish Shops	2	6	—	—
Public Houses	92	143	45	16
Chemists	8	4	—	1
General Stores and Sweets	36	52	22	23

Cafes, Restaurants and Canteens—Routine visits are carried out and any contraventions found are brought to the notice of the occupier of the premises. All the defects found, which were of a minor character, were rectified during the year.

In general a good standard is maintained and every opportunity is taken on routine calls to draw the attention of the employees to the provisions of the Food Hygiene Regulations.

Bakehouses—A good standard has been maintained and routine visits brought to light one defect which was remedied. A further bakehouse has been closed during the year, following the trend of the past 10 years, during which period 16 bakehouses have been taken out of production. This is allied to the retail in the area of a large amount of bread which is produced in factory bakehouses outside the Council's area.

The number of premises registered for the manufacture of Preserved Food (Section 16, Food and Drugs Act) is as follows:—

Manufacture of sausages	32
Cooking of hams	8
Brawn	1
Preserves and Jams	1
Spit cooking of poultry	2

Routine visits have been carried out in other food stores and, in general, a good standard has been maintained.

The retail trades carried out from the 15 vehicles operating from within the area, include catering (1), grocery (2), greengrocery (7) and the sale of fish (5). A number of other vehicles operate from outside the area and are mainly engaged in the sale of ice-cream. Regular inspections have been carried out and a good standard is maintained.

There are two poultry packing stations in the district and regular visits are made to ensure compliance with good food hygiene practice. One defect which came to light was quickly remedied and otherwise conditions were satisfactory.

Though no Clean Food Campaigns have been held, every opportunity is taken on routine visits to food premises to keep the staffs concerned aware of the high standard of hygiene which is necessary when handling food.

6. Unsound Food.

Food condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption was as follows:—

	Tons	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.	ozs.
Butchers' meat	3	9	3	3	4
Other food (including tinned food)	—	3	—	5	12

Under supervision all condemned meat is sprayed with dye and collected for treatment for animal food or conversion to fertilisers, etc., or it is taken to the Council's refuse tip for disposal.

7. Food Poisoning.

Ten cases of food poisoning were notified during the year, six due to *Salmonella Typhi murium* and four were unidentified. Two families had more than one case and four were single cases.

SEVENOAKS URBAN DISTRICT SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT.

1. Water Supply.

The Sevenoak Urban District is supplied with main water from the Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company, which proved satisfactory during the year both as regards quality and quantity. Water samples were examined during the year and reported on as follows:—

	Bacteriological examination			Chemical examination		
	No. of samples	Satisfactory	Not satisfactory	No. of samples	Satisfactory	Not satisfactory
Statutory supply undertakings ...	13	13	Nil	Nil	—	—
Private sources piped to dwellings ...	4	4	Nil	Nil	—	—
Other private sources	Nil	—	—	Nil	—	—

All the dwellings in the Urban District are supplied by mains water.

During 1961 the following mains extensions were carried out:—

Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company

(within Company's Statutory Area)

423 $\frac{1}{8}$ yards 4 inch dia. main ...	...	Paygate Close.
223 $\frac{1}{8}$ yards 4 inch dia. main ...	...	Vestry Estate, Otford Road.
11 yards 6 inch dia. main ...	...	Bradbourne Road.
428 5/6th yards 6 inch dia. main ...	...	Oak Hill Road.
(replacing 3 inch dia. main).		

The new pumping station at Cramptons Road, Sevenoaks, has been completed and the station brought into operation during the year.

2. Drainage and Sewerage.

No new works of sewerage or sewage disposal have been carried out.

New sewers:—

Filmer Lane	—	120 yards 6 inch diameter.
Vestry Estate	—	300 yards 9 inch diameter.

The present arrangements for sewerage and sewage disposal are reasonably adequate.

3. Collection and Disposal of Refuse.

There have been no changes in respect of the collection and disposal of refuse.

4. Public Swimming Pools.

Number of public swimming pools	...	...	...	...	...	1
Number of visits	...	...	...	...	...	6
Number of samples taken: Bacteriological	11.	All satisfactory				
Chemical	4.	All satisfactory				

The above swimming bath is operated by the Council. Water is drawn from the mains supply and treatment is by continuous filtration and chlorination. Visits were also made to, and samples taken from, four school swimming pools.

5. Sanitary Inspection of the District.

Number of complaints received and investigated	...	...	79
Total number of visits of all kinds paid by Inspectors during the year	...	...	3,420
Informal Notices: Served	...	...	76
Complied with	...	...	85
Statutory Notices: Served	...	...	8
Complied with:			
(a) by Owners	...	...	1
(b) by Local Authority in default	...	...	2
Legal proceedings	...	...	1
Summary of Inspections and Visits by Public Health Inspectors during the year:—			

Housing	...	...	...	...	...	440
Nuisances, etc. (not included under Housing)	...	...	...	...	...	264
Swimming pools	...	...	...	...	...	12
Hop-pickers' camps	...	...	...	...	...	3
Factory Acts	...	...	...	...	...	99
Shop Acts	...	...	...	...	...	471
Petroleum Act	...	...	...	...	...	176
Dairies	...	...	...	...	...	40
Ice-cream premises	...	...	...	...	...	78
Meat inspections at slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	...	371
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	...	19
Food shops	...	...	...	...	...	247
Food stalls and vehicles	...	...	...	...	...	125
Cafes, restaurants, canteens, hotel kitchens, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	107
Other food preparing places	...	...	...	...	...	37
Infectious disease visits	...	...	...	...	...	327
Prevention of damage by Pests Act, 1949	...	...	...	...	...	343
Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957	...	...	...	...	...	2
Atmospheric Pollution Prevention	...	...	...	...	...	7
Agriculture (Safety and Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956	...	...	...	...	...	2
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	250

6. Hop-pickers' Camps.

Number of camps in the District	...	...	...	...	...	1
Number of huts in the District	...	...	...	...	...	40
Total estimated number of persons engaged in hop-picking (excluding home pickers)	...	...	...	...	...	20
Number of new huts erected during 1961	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Number of inspections of hop-pickers' camps during 1961	...	...	...	...	...	3

Galvanised iron huts on concrete bases are provided for the pickers and water from Company's mains is laid on for all purposes.

Receptacles are provided by the owner.

Cookhouse accommodation is available but individuals usually provide their own facilities.

Elsan closets are in use and camp supervision is good.

7. Disinfestation.

One house was treated for bed bugs during the year.

8. Rats and Mice Destruction.

Three hundred and thirty-one treatments were carried out during the year, together with the six-monthly treatments of the sewer system.

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 to 1959
Part I of the Act.

1.—Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities...	34	33	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	76	84	4	—
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	1	1	—	—
Total	111	118	4	—

2.—Cases in which defects were found.

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness	4	1	—	—	—
Overcrowding	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature ...	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors ...	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary conveniences:					
(a) Insufficient	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective ...	4	1	—	—	—
(c) Not separate for sexes ...	—	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	—	—	—	—	—
Total	8	2	—	—	—

Part VIII of the Act.

Outwork (Sections 110 and 111).

Number of Outworkers ... Nil

HOUSES IN CLEARANCE AREAS AND UNFIT HOUSES ELSEWHERE

Summary of Returns for Year 1961.

A. HOUSES DEMOLISHED.

In Clearance Areas	HOUSES DEMOLISHED	DISPLACED During Year	
		Persons	Families
(1) Houses unfit for human habitation ...	16	38	15
(2) Houses included by reason of bad arrangement, etc. ...	...	...	...
(3) Houses on land acquired under Section 43 (2) Housing Act, 1957 ...	...	...	...
Not in Clearance Areas			
(4) As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 16 or Section 17 (1) Housing Act, 1957 ...	1	1	...
(5) Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health.	...	...	...
(6) Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under local Acts ...	...	...	...
(7) Unfit houses included in Unfitness Orders ...	...	...	...
Number of dwellings included above which were previously reported as closed	...	...	...

B. UNFIT HOUSES CLOSED.

	Number		
(8) Under Sections 16 (4), 17 (1) and 35 (1), Housing Act, 1957
(9) Under Sections 17 (3) and 26, Housing Act, 1957
(10) Parts of buildings closed under Section 18, Housing Act, 1957

C. UNFIT HOUSES MADE FIT AND HOUSES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE REMEDIED.

	By Owner	By Local Authority
(11) After informal action by Local Authority	24	...
(12) After formal notice under:		
(a) Public Health Acts	1	...
(b) Sections 9 and 16 Housing Act, 1957	1	...
(13) Under Section 24, Housing Act, 1957 ...	...	...

D. UNFIT HOUSES IN TEMPORARY USE (Housing Act, 1957).

Position at end of year	Number of Houses (1)	Number of separate dwellings contained in column (1) (2)
(14) Retained for temporary accommodation:		
(a) Under Section 48
(b) Under Section 17 (2)
(c) Under Section 46
(15) Licensed for temporary occupation under Sections 34 or 53

E. PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY AGREEMENT.

	Number of Houses (1)	Number of occupants of houses in column (1) (2)
(16) Houses in Clearance Areas other than those included in confirmed Clearance Orders or Compulsory Purchase Orders purchased in the year

HOUSING (FINANCIAL PROVISIONS) ACT, 1958.

Number of applications for Improvements and Conversions during 1961	19
Total approved costs (cost of work)	£12,393
Total approved grants	£6,186

HOUSE PURCHASE AND HOUSING ACT, 1959.

Number of applications for Standard Grants during 1961 ...	11
Total approved grants	£856

POST-WAR HOUSING (Position at 31st December, 1961).

	Completed.	Under construction.
Council	694	—
Housing Association	18	—
Private	808	31

CARAVANS (As at 31st December, 1961).

Number of site licences issued	2
Total number of caravans permitted on licensed sites ...	2

COMMON LODGING HOUSES.

Number registered in District	Nil
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INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

1. Milk Supplies.

Number of registered distributors	18
Number of registered dairies (1 wholesale/retail; 3 retail only)	4

A new pasteurising plant was installed at one of the dairies towards the end of the year.

Milk Sampling.

	No. of samples taken.	No. of unsatisfactory samples.
"Tuberculin Tested"	31	Nil
"Pasteurised"	26	Nil
"Sterilized"	8	Nil
"T.T. Pasteurised"	31	Nil

Number of samples collected for biological examination: Nil.

2. Ice Cream.

Number of premises registered:

(a) For the manufacture of ice-cream	Nil
(b) For the sale of ice-cream	58

No samples of ice-cream were taken during the year.

3. Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957.

Number of licensed premises	1
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4. Slaughterhouses.

Number in District 2

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed (if known)	640	4	62	1521	849	...
Number inspected	640	4	62	1521	849	...
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci:						
Whole carcasses condemned .....	...	...	...	...	1	...
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	79	4	...	16	37	...
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuber- culosis or cysticerci	12.34 %	100 %	...	1.05 %	4.47 %	...
Tuberculosis only:						
Whole carcasses condemned .....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned .....	...	...	...	...	9	...
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuber- culosis .....	...	...	...	...	1.06 %	...
Cysticercosis:						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	9	...	...	...	...	...
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrig- eration	9	...	...	...	...	...
Generalised and totally condemned...	...	...	...	...	...	...

5. Food Premises.

	No. in District	No. of Visits	No. of faults and defects found	No. of faults and defects remedied
Cafés, restaurants and canteens ...	72	107	2	6
Bakehouses	6	19	3	—
Premises registered for the manufacture of preserved food (Section 16 Food and Drugs Act, excluding ice-cream)	25	37	Nil	—
Food Stalls and Vehicles	8	125	2	2
Food factories	Nil	—	—	—
Other Food Shops:				
Bakers	13	26	2	2
Butchers	10	44	—	4
Confectioners	25	33	—	—
Fishmongers	6	17	1	1
Grocers	31	95	3	3
Greengrocers	18	32	4	3

6. Unsound Food.

Food condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption:

	Tons	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.	ozs.
Butchers' meat	—	6	—	27	—
Edible Offal	—	11	3	7	—
Other Food (including tinned food)	—	6	1	3	10

All condemned meat and offal at the slaughterhouses is coloured with naphthalene dye and disposed of under arrangements made by this department with the owners of the slaughterhouses. All other foods are disposed of by the Public Health Department by burying or for pig feeding.

During the year one prosecution was instituted, under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, in the local Magistrate's Court when a fine was imposed.

7. Food Poisoning.

No cases of food poisoning were notified during the year.

TONBRIDGE RURAL DISTRICT
SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT.

1. Water Supply.

Supplies in the Tonbridge Rural District are obtained from four statutory undertakings and one private undertaking. Supplies generally were adequate.

The mechanical filters to the private undertakings were replaced during the year and subsequent samples taken after installation were satisfactory.

All supplies are subject to regular sampling and details of the samples taken during the year are given in the following table:—

	Bacteriological examination			Chemical examination		
	No. of samples	Satisfactory	Not satisfactory	No. of samples	Satisfactory	Not satisfactory
Statutory supply undertakings ...	16	15	1	1	1	—
Private sources piped to dwellings ...	2	2	—	2	1	1
Other private sources	1	—	1	2	1	1

Approximately 99% of the houses in the Rural District are supplied with piped water from public mains and are shown below under the various parishes:—

Name of Parish.					Proportion direct to houses.	Proportion by means of standpipes.		
Bidborough	...	...	...	...	100 %	...	...	—
Brenchley	...	...	...	...	99 %	...	...	—
Capel	...	...	...	...	98.7 %	...	...	7 houses
Hadlow	...	...	...	...	98.5 %	...	...	—
Hildenborough	...	...	...	...	100 %	...	...	—
Horsmonden	...	...	...	...	100 %	...	...	—
Lamberhurst	...	...	...	...	96 %	...	...	—
Pembury	...	...	...	...	99 %	...	...	—
Paddock Wood	...	...	...	...	100 %	...	...	—
Speldhurst	...	...	...	...	98.74 %	...	...	—

A well supply serving an isolated dwelling in the Parish of Hadlow was found to be badly contaminated. The occupants were advised to boil the water before use and the owner requested that a main supply should be laid on. The cost of providing a mains supply is being investigated.

Two cottages in the Parish of Pembury which received their water from a contaminated well were dealt with under the Housing Acts and closed.

During the year the following mains extension was carried out:—

Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company

(within Company's Statutory Area)

34 yards 3 inch dia. main Riding Lane, Hildenborough.

Borough of Royal Tunbridge Wells Water Undertaking.

Mains extensions were carried out on new housing sites at Woodsgate Close, Lyndhurst Estate and Highfields Site, Pembury.

A short extension was carried out at Third Street, Langton Green and a new extension at Rectory Lane site, Bidborough.

A 6 inch trunk main from the Water Tower has now been completed resulting in improved supply to Pembury.

2. Drainage and Sewerage.

During 1961/62 a sewage pumping station and pumping main were constructed to convey the sewage from the Pixot Hill area of Brenchley (pop. 108 persons) for treatment at the Brenchley Sewage Disposal Works.

As stated in last year's report, due to new housing developments certain of the sewage works have become overloaded. An extensive program for re-designing works in Paddock Wood (including Five Oak Green), Speldhurst, Hadlow, Pembury, Horsmonden and Hildenborough has been agreed. In addition the following improvements are proposed:—

Sewage from Matfield and Petteridge will be treated in extended works at Brenchley.

At Groombridge, either new works will be constructed or, by arrangement with Uckfield Rural District, sewage will be discharged to that Council's pumping station in New Groombridge.

Bidborough Sewage Works will be abandoned and arrangements made with the Southborough Urban District Council for the acceptance of the sewage into their works.

This extensive programme is throwing great strain on the Council's staff but the work is being pushed forward as speedily as possible.

3. Refuse Collection and Disposal.

The nine to ten day collection period was reduced to seven days during the year and this has been satisfactorily maintained.

4. Public Swimming Pools.

Number of swimming pools open to public	...	...	...	1
Number of visits paid	...	...	...	31
Number of samples taken (all satisfactory)	...	...	...	7

The one swimming pool open to the public is a large open air, privately owned pool. The source of supply is public mains, continuous flow (change-rate 7 hourly); method of treatment by filtration and chlorination.

5. Sanitary Inspection of the District.

Number of complaints received and investigated	...	...	212
Total number of visits of all kinds paid by Inspectors during the year	...	...	4,171
Informal Notices: Served	...	...	189
Complied with	...	...	172
Statutory Notices: Served	...	...	8
Complied with:			
(a) by owners	...	...	4
(b) by Local Authority in default	...	...	Nil

Legal proceedings taken ... Nil

Summary of Inspections and Visits by Public Health Inspectors during the year:—

Housing	...	...	1,490
Nuisances, etc. (not included under Housing)	...	...	233
Swimming pools	...	...	31
Hop-pickers' camps	...	...	96
Knackers' yards	...	...	3
Offensive trades	...	...	—
Factory Acts	...	...	74
Shop Acts	...	...	213
Dairies	...	...	15
Ice-cream premises	...	...	135
Meat inspections at slaughterhouses	...	...	437
Bakehouses	...	...	28
Food shops	...	...	152
Food stalls and vehicles	...	...	6
Cafes, restaurants, canteens, hotel kitchens, etc.	...	...	84
Food factories	...	...	31
Other food preparing places	...	...	61
Infectious disease visits	...	...	80
Prevention of damage by Pests Act, 1949	...	...	776
Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957	...	...	17
Atmospheric Pollution Prevention	...	...	2
Caravan Sites	...	...	29
Agriculture (Safety and Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956	...	...	10
Miscellaneous	...	...	168

6. Hop-pickers' Camps.

Number of camps in use in the District	...	...	...	...	46
Number of huts in use in the District	...	...	...	...	2,750
Total estimated number of persons engaged in hop-picking (excluding home pickers)	...	...	...	...	5,000
Number of new huts erected during 1961	...	...	...	...	Nil
Number of inspections of hop-pickers' camps during 1961	...	...	...	...	96

Camps are supplied with mains water, and adequate cookhouse accommodation provided; scavenging facilities were generally satisfactory. Adequate closet accommodation available but earth lavatories required constant attention. Camp supervision was satisfactory.

7. Disinfestation.

Infestations were dealt with as follows:—

Ants 7; Wasps 12; Flies 5; Fleas 2; Cockroaches 1.

8. Rats and Mice Destruction.

Number of complaints	...	...	...	...	...	...	241
Number of properties inspected for presence of rodents (including local authority, agricultural, private and business premises)	...	...	...	...	...	...	816
Number of properties found to be infested with Rats	...	...	...	...	...	...	213
Number of properties found to be infested with Mice	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Total number of properties treated	...	...	...	...	...	...	225
Total number of visits	...	...	...	...	...	...	776

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 to 1959
Part I of the Act.

1.—Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written notices	Occupiers prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities...	16	8	2	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	76	61	9	—
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	5	5	1	—
Total	97	74	12	—

2.—Cases in which defects were found.

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness	7	7	—	—	—
Overcrowding	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature ...	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors ...	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary conveniences:					
(a) Insufficient	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective ...	4	4	—	—	—
(c) Not separate for sexes ...	—	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	1	1	—	—	—
Total	12	12	—	—	—

Part VIII of the Act.
Outwork (Sections 110 and 111).

Nature of Work.	Section 110			Section 111		
	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 110 (i) (c)	No. or cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. or prosecutions for failures to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
Wearing apparel (making, etc., cleaning and washing	6	—	—	—	—	—
Lace, lace curtains and nets	1	—	—	—	—	—
The making of boxes or other receptacles or parts thereof wholly or partially of paper ..	8	—	—	—	—	—
Total ..	15	—	—	—	—	—

HOUSES IN CLEARANCE AREAS AND UNFIT HOUSES ELSEWHERE.

Summary of Returns for Year 1961.

A. HOUSES DEMOLISHED.

In Clearance Areas	HOUSES DEMOLISHED	DISPLACED during year	
		Persons	Families
(1) Houses unfit for human habitation ...	...	...	...
(2) Houses included by reason of bad arrangement, etc. ... ..	...	...	...
(3) Houses on land acquired under Section 43 (2) Housing Act, 1957 ... ..	...	...	...
Not in Clearance Areas			
(4) As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 16 or Section 17 (1) Housing Act, 1957	5	3	1
(5) Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health.	...	—	—
(6) Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under local Acts ... ..	...	...	...
(7) Unfit houses included in Unfitness Orders ... ..	...	...	...
Number of dwellings included above which were previously reported as closed	...	...	...

B. UNFIT HOUSES CLOSED.	Number		
(8) Under Sections 16 (4), 17 (1) and 35 (1), Housing Act, 1957	14	22	8
(9) Under Sections 17 (3) and 26, Housing Act, 1957 ... ..	...	...	...
(10) Parts of buildings closed under Section 18, Housing Act, 1957 ... ..	...	...	...

C. UNFIT HOUSES MADE FIT AND HOUSES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE REMEDIED.

	By Owner	By Local Authority
(11) After informal action by Local Authority	109	...
(12) After formal notice under:		
(a) Public Health Acts	4	...
(b) Sections 9 and 16 Housing Act, 1957	4	...

D. UNFIT HOUSES IN TEMPORARY USE (Housing Act, 1957).

Position at end of year	Number of Houses (1)	Number of separate dwellings contained in column (1) (2)
(14) Retained for temporary accommodation:		
(a) Under Section 48
(b) Under Section 17 (2)
(c) Under Section 46
(15) Licensed for temporary occupation under Sections 34 or 53

E. PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY AGREEMENT.

	Number of Houses (1)	Number of occupants of houses in column (1) (2)
(16) Houses in Clearance Areas other than those included in confirmed Clearance Orders or Compulsory Purchase Orders purchased in the year

HOUSING (FINANCIAL PROVISIONS) ACT, 1958.

Number of applications for Improvements and Conversions during 1961 ... ..	...	...	...	...	17
Number of properties involved ... ..	...	...	...	...	21
Total approved costs (cost of work) ... ..	...	...	...	£18,232	
Total approved grants ... ..	...	...	...	£6,910	

HOUSE PURCHASE AND HOUSING ACT, 1959.

Number of applications for Standard Grants during 1961 ...	26
Number of properties involved	30
Total grants paid	£3,139

POST-WAR HOUSING (Position at 31st December, 1961).

	Completed.	Under construction.
Council	1,014	19
Hatton Housing Trust	78	—
Private	1,520	271

CARAVANS (as at 31st December, 1961).

Number of site licences issued	13
Total number of caravans permitted on licensed sites ...	25

COMMON LODGING HOUSES.

Number registered in District	Nil
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INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.**1. Milk Supplies.**

Number of registered distributors	28
Number of registered dairies (retail)	9
Four retail dairies were redecorated during the year.	

Milk Sampling.

	No. of samples taken.	No. of unsatisfactory samples.
"Tuberculin Tested"	1	—
"Pasteurised"	3	—

Number of samples collected for biological examination:—

"Tuberculin Tested" ... 1. No evidence of Tuberculosis.

2. Ice Cream.

Number of premises registered:

(a) For the manufacture of ice-cream	Nil
(b) For the sale of ice-cream	107

Results of samples taken:

Grade I	65
Grade 2	17

3. Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957.

Number of licensed premises	10
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Five licences were withdrawn during the year as the premises were no longer engaged in boiling operations.

5. Food Premises.

	No. in District	No. of Visits	No. of faults and defects found	No. of faults and defects remedied
Cafés, restaurants and canteens,	42	84	14	13
Bakehouses	5	28	5	5
Premises registered for the manufacture of preserved food (Section 16 Food and Drugs Act, excluding ice-cream)	21	61	8	7
Food Stalls and Vehicles	6	6	1	1
Food Factories	1	31	3	3
Other Food Shops:				
Grocers and Provision Merchants ...	72	90	4	4
Fishmongers and Fried Fish Shops	2	20	3	3
Confectioners and Fruiterers ...	15	18	...	...
Licensed Premises	60	24	5	5

Three new cafe premises opened during the year and these are equipped with hygienic facilities and comply in every respect with the Regulations. One kitchen at a licensed premises was completely modernised and one cafe kitchen provided with more hygienic equipment. Defects found in the majority of premises were of a minor nature and were rectified when brought to the attention of the proprietors.

One bakehouse was closed during the year. Minor faults were remedied at the remaining five premises.

Conditions at the premises registered for the manufacture of Preserved Food (Section 16, Food and Drugs Act) were generally satisfactory.

Faults of a minor nature were rectified at four grocers' premises; kitchen facilities were improved at one fried fish shop. Facilities were improved at a number of licensed premises.

Food stalls operate mainly during the soft fruit season. Several vehicles operating as mobile grocers and one for fried fish and chips were found to be satisfactory.

The one food factory at Pembury is engaged in the cooking and processing of pork; smells arising from the cooking process have now been abated.

There was no organised clean food campaign during the year but the usual practice of instructing food handlers was maintained during routine inspections of premises.

6. Unsound Food.

Food condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption:

	Tons	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.	ozs.
Butchers' meat	2	3	1	13	—
Other Food (including tinned food)	114	3	2	12	—

All meat condemned at slaughterhouses is disposed of by burial locally. All unsound food, other than butchers' meat, is taken to the Council's refuse disposal dump at Hadlow. The large amount of other foods condemned includes waste fruit from grading premises at Paddock Wood.

7. Food Poisoning.

No cases of food poisoning were notified during the year.

TONBRIDGE URBAN DISTRICT

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT.

1. Water Supply.

Tonbridge Urban District is supplied with mains water by the Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company and the Mid-Kent Water Company. Supplies have been sufficient during the year and the quality as shown by bacteriological examination has been good.

The results of samples taken by the Public Health Inspectors during the year were as follows:—

	Bacteriological examination			Chemical examination		
	No. of samples	Satisfactory	Not satisfactory	No. of samples	Satisfactory	Not satisfactory
Statutory supply undertakings ...	24	24	—	2	2	—
Private sources piped to dwellings ...	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other private sources	—	—	—	—	—	—

The number of dwelling houses in Tonbridge Urban District supplied by public water mains is approximately 99.5%.

Mains extensions carried out during 1961 were as follows:—
Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company
(within Company's Statutory Area)

1½	yards 3 inch dia. main	...	Trench Wood North Housing Estate.
1,716.1/6th	yards 4 inch dia. main	...	Trench Wood North Housing Estate.
548.5/6th	yards 6 inch dia. main	...	Trench Wood North Housing Estate.
192.½rd	yards 4 inch dia. main	...	Hop Garden Estate.
191.5/6th	yards 6 inch dia. main	...	Hop Garden Estate.
533.11/12th	yards 4 inch dia. main		Weald Park Estate, Shipbourne Road.
209½	yards 6 inch dia. main	...	Weald Park Estate, Shipbourne Road.
68.⅔rds	yards 4 inch dia. main	...	Dowgate Close.
339.⅔rds	yards 4 inch dia. main	...	Farm Road.
6	yards 3 inch dia. main	...	Tudeley Road.
393½	yards 6 inch dia. main	...	Tudeley Road.
(Replacing existing 3 inch dia. main).			
22	yards 6 inch dia. main	...	Lodge Oak Lane.
115.11/12th	yards 4 inch dia. main		Dernier Road.
9.5/6th	yards 4 inch dia. main	...	Denbigh Field Estate, Shipbourne Road.
102	yards 6 inch dia. main	...	Denbigh Field Estate, Shipbourne Road.
705.5/6th	yards 4 inch dia. main	...	St. Bernards Estate, Shipbourne Road.

2. Drainage and Sewerage.

Work has commenced on the construction of new sewers, pumping stations and pumping mains in the northern area of the town and should be completed by the end of 1962.

It is anticipated that the construction of the new Sewage Disposal Works will commence in 1962.

3. Collection and Disposal of Refuse.

Controlled tipping continues at Priory Wood and there have been no changes made in the collection or disposal of refuse.

Fifty dustbins were provided by the Council under the Public Health Act, 1936, Section 75(3) and 25 dustbins previously provided were replaced during the year.

4. Public Swimming Pools.

Number of swimming pools	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Number of visits	...	...	...	...	...	...	24
Number of samples taken (13 Satisfactory and 1 Unsatisfactory)	...	...	...	...	...	...	14

There are two open-air swimming pools used by the public, one owned by the Council, the other privately owned. The source of supply to both pools is from mains water, the treatment method for the Town Pool is by pressure filter and chlorination and the private pool by gravity filter and chlorination.

5. Sanitary Inspection of the District.

Number of complaints received and investigated	...	...	184
Total number of visits of all kinds paid by Inspectors during the year	...	...	2,831
Informal Notices: Served	...	...	206
Complied with	...	...	210
Statutory Notices: Served	...	...	1
Complied with:			
(a) by owners	...	...	-
(b) by Local Authority in default	...	...	1
Legal proceedings taken	...	...	2
Summary of Inspections and Visits by Public Health Inspectors during the year:—			
Housing	...	...	1,071
Nuisances, etc. (not included under Housing)	...	...	175
Swimming pools	...	...	24
Offensive trades	...	...	1
Factory Acts	...	...	77
Shop Acts	...	...	8
Petroleum Act	...	...	115
Dairies	...	...	13

Ice-cream premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	110
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13
Food shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	312
Food stalls and vehicles	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Cafes, restaurants, canteens, hotel kitchens, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	78
Food factories	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Other food preparing places	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Infectious disease visits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	42
Prevention of damage by Pests Act, 1949	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	65
Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
Atmospheric Pollution Prevention	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	79
Agriculture (Safety and Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	622

6. Disinfestation.

The following infestations were dealt with:—

Ants 1; Fleas 7; Cockroaches 8, Bugs 3; Flies 2.

7. Rats and Mice Destruction.

			Rats	Mice
Number of Local Authority premises treated	...	...	30	—
Number of Dwelling Houses treated	...	...	175	67
Number of Agricultural premises treated	3	—
Number of other premises treated	44	18
			<hr/> 252	<hr/> 85
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FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 to 1959.
Part I of the Act.

1.—Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities...	12	3	2	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	102	52	1	—
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	38	51	2	—
Total	152	106	5	—

2.—Cases in which defects were found.

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness	—	1	—	—	—
Overcrowding	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature ...	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors ...	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary conveniences:					
(a) Insufficient	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective...	4	—	—	2	—
(c) Not separate for sexes...	1	—	—	1	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	—	—	—	—	—
Total	5	1	—	3	—

Part VIII of the Act.
Outwork (Sections 110 and 111).

Nature of Work.	Section 110			Section 111		
	No. of out workers in August list required by Section 110 (i) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
Wearing apparel (Making, etc., cleaning and washing ..	3	—	—	—	—	—
The making of boxes or other receptacles or parts thereof made wholly or partially of paper	16	—	—	—	—	—
Total ...	19	—	—	—	—	—

HOUSES IN CLEARANCE AREAS AND UNFIT HOUSES ELSEWHERE.

Summary of Returns for Year 1961.

A. HOUSES DEMOLISHED.

In Clearance Areas	HOUSES DEMOLISHED	DISPLACED During Year	
		Persons	Families
(1) Houses unfit for human habitation ...	4	9	4
(2) Houses included by reason of bad arrangement, etc. ... ..	...	...	...
(3) Houses on land acquired under Section 43 (2) Housing Act, 1957 ... ..	...	...	...
Not in Clearance Areas			
(4) As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 16 or Section 17 (1) Housing Act, 1957	1	5	2
(5) Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health.	...	...	...
(6) Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under local Acts ... ..	...	...	...
(7) Unfit houses included in Unfitness Orders ... ..	...	...	...
Number of dwellings included above which were previously reported as closed	...	...	...

B. UNFIT HOUSES CLOSED.	Number of Houses	Displaced during year	
		Persons	Families
(8) Under Sections 16 (4), 17 (1) and 35 (1), Housing Act, 1957	1	1	1
(9) Under Sections 17 (3) and 26, Housing Act, 1957 ... ..	...	...	...
(10) Parts of buildings closed under Section 18, Housing Act, 1957 ... ..	...	...	...

C. UNFIT HOUSES MADE FIT AND HOUSES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE REMEDIED.

	By Owner	By Local Authority
(11) After informal action by Local Authority	41	...
(12) After formal notice under:		
(a) Public Health Acts ... ..	...	...
(b) Sections 9 and 16 Housing Act, 1957 ... ..	...	...
(13) Under Section 24, Housing Act, 1957 ...	...	...

D. UNFIT HOUSES IN TEMPORARY USE (Housing Act. 1957).

Position at end of year	Number of Houses	Number of separate dwellings contained in column (1)
	(1)	(2)
(14) Retained for temporary accommodation:		
(a) Under Section 48
(b) Under Section 17 (2)
(c) Under Section 46
(15) Licensed for temporary occupation under Sections 34 or 53

E. PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY AGREEMENT.

	Number of Houses	Number of occupant of houses in column
	(1)	(1) (2)
(16) Houses in Clearance Areas other than those included in confirmed Clearance Orders or Compulsory Purchase Orders purchased in the year

HOUSING (FINANCIAL PROVISIONS) ACT, 1958.

Number of applications for Improvements and
Conversions and approved by the Council dur-
ing 1961

Total approved costs (cost of work)	...	...	£7,081	0s.	14
Total approved grants	...	...	£3,537	10s.	0d.

HOUSE PURCHASE AND HOUSING ACT, 1959.

Number of applications for Standard Grants
during 1961

Total approved grants	...	...	£1,125	0s.	9
					0d.

POST-WAR HOUSING (Position at 31st December, 1961).

	Completed.	Under construction.
Council	1,429	278
Housing Association	8	—
Private	1,176	183

CAMPS (Temporary Housing).

Number of huts occupied in hutted camps in the District at 31st
December, 1961:

Somerhill Camp ... 7

CARAVANS.

Number of site licences issued	...	...	...	...	2
Total number of caravans permitted on licensed sites	4

COMMON LODGING HOUSES.

Number registered in District	Nil
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INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.**1. Milk Supplies.**

Number of registered distributors	29
Number of registered dairies (retail)	...	...	...	...	3

Milk Sampling.

	No. of samples taken.	No. of unsatisfactory samples.
"Tuberculin Tested"	15	6
"Pasteurised"	20	—
"Sterilized"	2	—
"T.T. Pasteurised"	10	—

Milk Bottles.

Two sets of washed milk bottles were all satisfactory.

One Dairy was prosecuted under the Milk and Dairies (General)
Regulations, 1959, for not ensuring that a milk bottle was in a state
of thorough cleanliness immediately before use. The Dairy pleaded
guilty and a fine of £10 0s. 0d. was imposed.

2. Ice Cream.

Number of premises registered:

(a) For the manufacture of ice-cream	1
(b) For the sale of ice-cream	86

Results of samples taken:

Grade I	33
Grade 2	17
Grade 3	6
Grade 4	1

3. Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957.

Number of licensed premises	5
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4. Slaughterhouses.

There are no slaughterhouses in Tonbridge Urban District.

5. Food Premises.

	No. in District	No. of Visits	No. of faults and defects found	No. of faults and defects remedied
Cafés, restaurants and canteens.	57	51	7	4
Bakehouses	4	13	1	—
Premises registered for the manufacture of preserved food (Section 16 Food and Drugs Act, excluding ice-cream)	29	14	—	—
Food Stalls and Vehicles	5	3	—	2
Food Factories	1	3	—	1
Other Food Shops:				
Fried Fish Shops	3	17	—	2
Bakers and Confectioners	38	17	4	6
Butchers	12	24	3	2
Fishmongers	5	8	3	1
Grocers	67	94	15	7
Greengrocers and Fruiterers	18	25	5	5
Licensed Premises	43	27	2	6

The general standard in cafes, restaurants and canteens was satisfactory throughout the year.

One bakehouse was further extended at the end of the year by the provision of extra storage space to allow more space for preparation.

Following a complaint of glass in a tin of stuffed pork roll, proceedings were taken against the manufacturer under Section 2 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955. A fine of £100 0s. 0d. was imposed.

6. Unsound Food.

Food condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption:

	Tons	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.	ozs.
Butchers' meat	—	—	—	—	—
Other food (including tinned food)	—	4	—	9	9½

The method of disposal of condemned food is by burial at refuse tip.

7. Food Poisoning.

There were no cases of food poisoning notified during the year.

SOUTHBOROUGH URBAN DISTRICT
SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT

1. Water Supply.

Southborough Urban District is supplied with mains water from the Borough of Royal Tunbridge Wells. Supplies during the year have been sufficient and the quality of the water, as shown by sampling, was satisfactory.

The results of samples taken during the year by the Public Health Department were as follows:—

	Bacteriological examination			Chemical examination		
	No. of samples	Satisfactory	Not satisfactory	No. of samples	Satisfactory	Not satisfactory
Statutory supply undertakings ...	35	35	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Private sources piped to dwellings ...	30	29	1	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other private sources	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

There are only six houses in the district not supplied direct from mains and these have their own filters. The unsatisfactory sample was taken direct from the private supply to these houses prior to filtration. All filtered samples were satisfactory. In addition to the samples taken by Southborough Urban District Council, samples are also taken by Tunbridge Wells Water Undertaking.

No extensions of mains were made during the year.

2. Drainage and Sewerage Disposal.

During 1961 there were no alterations to the existing system.

3. Refuse Collection and Disposal.

There was no change or new development in the collection and disposal of refuse during the year.

4. Public Swimming Pools.

Number in District ... Nil

5. Sanitary Inspection of the District.

Number of complaints received and investigated ... 128

Total number of visits of all kinds paid by Inspectors during the year	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,129
Informal Notices: Served	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	79
Complied with	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	68
Statutory Notices: Served	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Legal proceedings taken	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Summary of Inspections and Visits by Public Health Inspectors during the year:									
Housing	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	521
Nuisances, etc. (not included under Housing)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	97
Factory Acts	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	124
Shop Acts	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	133
Petroleum Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	65
Ice-cream premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	121
Meat inspections at slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	230
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
Food Shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	365
Food stalls and vehicles	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Cafes, restaurants, canteens, hotel kitchens, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	107
Other food preparing places	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
Infectious disease visits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	33
Prevention of damage by Pests Act, 1949	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	172
Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	38
Agriculture (Safety and Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	71

6. Disinfestation.

The following infestations were dealt with during the year:—

Cockroaches 3; Fleas 1; Ants 8; Crickets 2.

The Council resolved that wasp nests within dwelling houses be treated free and 43 nests within dwelling houses were cleared. The Council's refuse tip was sprayed with miscible concentrate of 5% B.H.C. at frequent intervals during the summer months to reduce the fly nuisance.

7. Rats and Mice Destruction.

Number of complaints received and investigated ... 71

		Rats	Mice
Number of Local Authority premises treated	...	10	Nil
Number of dwelling houses treated	...	27	21
Number of agricultural premises treated	...	4	Nil
Number of other premises treated	...	9	12
		—	—
		50	33
		—	—

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 to 1959.
Part I of the Act.

1.—Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities...	13	39	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	24	57	—	—
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	13	28	—	—
Total	50	124	—	—

2.—Cases in which defects were found.

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness	5	5	—	—	—
Overcrowding	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature ...	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation	1	1	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors ...	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary conveniences:					
(a) Insufficient	1	1	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective...	2	2	—	—	—
(c) Not separate for sexes...	—	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	—	—	—	—	—
Total	9	9	—	—	—

Part VIII of the Act.
Outwork (Sections 110 and 111).

Nature of work	Section 110			Section 111		
	No. of out workers in August list required by Section 110 (i) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
The making of boxes or other receptacles or parts thereof made wholly or partially of paper	1	—	—	—	—	—
Total ...	1	—	—	—	—	—

HOUSES IN CLEARANCE AREAS AND UNFIT HOUSES
ELSEWHERE.

Summary of Returns for Year 1961.

A. HOUSES DEMOLISHED.

In Clearance Areas	HOUSES DEMOLISHED	DISPLACED During Year	
		Persons	Families
(1) Houses unfit for human habitation ...	...	...	...
(2) Houses included by reason of bad arrangement, etc. ... ..	...	...	...
(3) Houses on land acquired under Section 43 (2) Housing Act, 1957 ... ..	...	...	...
Not in Clearance Areas			
(4) As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 16 or Section 17 (1) Housing Act, 1957 ... ..	...	...	...
(5) Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health.	10	21	9
(6) Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under local Acts ... ..	...	...	...
(7) Unfit houses included in Unfitness Orders ... ..	...	...	...
Number of dwellings included above which were previously reported as closed	...	...	...

B. UNFIT HOUSES CLOSED.	Number	DISPLACED During Year	
		Persons	Families
(8) Under Sections 16 (4), 17 (1) and 35 (1), Housing Act, 1957	2	1	1
(9) Under Sections 17 (3) and 26, Housing Act, 1957 ... ..	...	...	...
(10) Parts of buildings closed under Section 18, Housing Act, 1957 ... ..	...	...	...

C. UNFIT HOUSES MADE FIT AND HOUSES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE REMEDIED.

	By Owner	By Local Authority
(11) After informal action by Local Authority	36	...
(12) After formal notice under:		
(a) Public Health Acts ... ..	...	...
(b) Sections 9 and 16 Housing Act, 1957 ... ..	...	...
(13) Under Section 24, Housing Act, 1957 ...	2	...

D. UNFIT HOUSES IN TEMPORARY USE (Housing Act, 1957).

Position at end of year	Number of Houses	Number of separate dwellings contained in column (1)
	(1)	(2)
(14) Retained for temporary accommodation:		
(a) Under Section 48
(b) Under Section 17 (2)
(c) Under Section 46
(15) Licensed for temporary occupation under Sections 34 or 53

E. PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY AGREEMENT.

	Number of Houses	Number of occupants of houses in column (1)
	(1)	(2)
(16) Houses in Clearance Areas other than those included in confirmed Clearance Orders or Compulsory Purchase Orders purchased in the year

HOUSING (FINANCIAL PROVISIONS) ACT, 1958.

Number of applications for Improvements and Conversions during 1961	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Total approved costs (cost of work)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£1,235
Total approved grants	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£536

HOUSE PURCHASE AND HOUSING ACT, 1959.

Number of applications for Standard Grants during 1961	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19
Total approved grants	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£2,004

POST-WAR HOUSING (Position at 31st December, 1961).

						Completed.	Under construction.
Council	...	...	...	...	...	540	—
Private	326	9

CARAVANS (at at 31st December, 1961).

Number of site licences issued	Nil
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COMMON LODGING HOUSES.

Number registered in District	Nil
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INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.**1. Milk Supplies.**

Number of registered distributors	10
Number of registered dairies	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil

Milk Sampling.

					No. of samples taken.	No. of unsatisfactory samples.
"Tuberculin Tested"	...	...	...	...	4	2
"Pasteurised"	...	...	...	...	4	Nil
"Sterilized"	...	...	...	...	Nil	Nil

Number of samples collected for biological examination:

4 Tuberculin Tested. No evidence of tuberculosis.

2. Ice Cream.

Number of premises registered:

(a) For the manufacture of ice-cream	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
(b) For the sale of ice-cream	...	...	...	...	...	...	35
Results of samples taken:							
Grade 1	...	...	...	...	...	...	20
Grade 2	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Grade 3	...	...	...	...	...	...	4

3. Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957.

Number of licensed premises	7
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4. Slaughterhouses.

Number in District 1

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed (if known)	176	111	2450	...
Number inspected	176	111	2450	...
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci:						
Whole carcasses condemned	1	...	6	...
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	1	...	94	...
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuber- culosis or cysticerci	1.14%	...	4.1 %	...
Tuberculosis only:						
Whole carcasses condemned
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	29	...
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuber- culosis	1.2 %	...
Cysticercosis:						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrig- eration
Generalised and totally condemned...

5. Food Premises.

	No. in District	No. of Visits	No. of faults and defects found	No. of faults and defects remedied
Cafés, restaurants and canteens ...	15	107	7	7
Bakehouses	3	14	3	3
Premises registered for the manufacture of preserved food (Section 16 Food and Drugs Act, excluding ice-cream)	13	41	3	3
Food Stalls and Vehicles	2	5	—	—
Food Factories	—	—	—	—
Other Food Shops:				
Public-houses and Off-Licences ...	14	33	3	3
Bakers' Shops	5	14	—	—
Butchers	9	75	6	5
Fishmongers	3	21	1	1
Grocers	22	83	9	8
Greengrocers	12	40	7	7
Fried Fish Shops	2	7	—	—
Milk Shops	1	8	—	—
Chemists	3	6	—	—
General Stores and Sweets	10	37	8	8

Routine inspections were carried out during the year at cafes, restaurants and canteens for enforcement of the Food Hygiene Regulations.

Bakehouses were inspected regularly under the Factory and Food and Drugs Acts. During 1961 two bakehouses discontinued baking and closed down.

Routine inspections were carried out at the premises registered for the manufacturer of preserved food including sausage manufacture.

One vehicle from in the district is used for the sale of fish, both in this district and in surrounding districts; there is another vehicle used similarly for sale of greengrocery. Both were regularly inspected and are kept in a clean condition.

No clean food campaign was held during the year but advice and instruction were given to food handlers during routine visits to food premises.

6. Unsound Food.

	Tons	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.	ozs.
Butchers' meat	1	1	1	5	0
Other food (including tinned food)	—	1	1	24	0

All unsound food, with the exception of butchers' meat, is collected and buried at the Council's refuse tip. Condemned meat is dyed or sent for sterilization, after which it may be used for animal feed or fertilizer.

7. Food Poisoning.

No cases of food poisoning were notified during the year.

